

e. removing active runway information from the runway list and sorting and listing all remaining runways by proximity to the active runway heading.

#### REMARKS

Claims 1-32, as renumbered, are pending in the application. Claim 30 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 31. Claim 31 has been cancelled and claim 32 has been made to depend from claim 30. A new claim 33 has been added. Claims 7 and (renumbered) 15 have been amended in accordance with the examiner's suggestion. No new matter has been added by these amendments. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks. The foregoing amendments and the following remarks are fully responsive to the Office Action and are believed to render all pending claims at issue patentably distinct over the cited references. The foregoing amendments are made in the interest of expediting prosecution, and there is no intent to surrender any range of equivalents to which Applicant would otherwise be entitled in view of the prior art.

#### 1. OBJECTIONS

Claims 7 and 15 have been objected to as confusing. By this amendment the objections of the examiner are believed to have been overcome by applicant's compliance with the examiner's suggestion therefore.

## II. CLAIM REJECTION UNDER 35 USC § 103

Claims 1-8, 11-16, 18 and 30-32 were rejected under 35 USC § 103 as being obvious in view of Barnett taken with Nakhla. This rejection is believed to be improper in that neither of the references cited discloses that upon comparing an entered character to data stored in each data source, each likely text identifier is automatically completed on the display. Neither of the references cited has such a completion step, having only comparisons made for validity of the entire identifier. This feature is important in the instant invention because the automatic completion of the identifier may reduce the number of keystrokes required by the crewmember entering data, and further allows more "heads up" time for the crewmember to proceed with other tasks. Each of the claims 1-8, 11-16 and 18 specifically recites this feature and each of these claims is believed to now be in condition for allowance. The examiner's assertion that Barnett discloses such a feature is believed to be erroneous. The examiner cites column 2, lines 36 to 45 of Barnett as support for this contention, but that reference merely states that "The master control processor controls the contents of the memory with respect to the entered alphanumeric data and the predetermined codes, thereby to energize the signal processor in a desired mode of operation upon coincidence of the encoded entry and one of the stored codes." (Emphasis added). Thus the entirety of the code is checked for validity, and Barnett does not refer to completing the entered code based on a partial match.

## III. ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Claims 20-29 have been allowed by the examiner and this is again noted with appreciation. The examiner stated that claims 31 and 32 would be allowable if the

features of their parent claim (30) were incorporated therein. By this amendment, claim 30 has been amended to incorporate the features of claim 31, claim 31 has been cancelled and claim 32 has been made to depend from claim 30.


#### IV. CONCLUSION

In view of Applicant's amendments and remarks, the Examiner's rejections are believed to have been overcome. Accordingly, Applicant submits that the application, as amended, is now in condition for allowance and such allowance is therefore earnestly requested. Should the Examiner have any questions or wish to further discuss this application, Applicant requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned at (480) 385-5060.

If for some reason Applicant has not requested a sufficient extension and/or has not paid a sufficient fee for this response and/or for the extension necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, please consider this as a request for an extension for the required time period and/or authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2091 for any fee which may be due.

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